

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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For: NOVEL PROTEIN-DEAMIDATING ENZYME, GENE ENCODING THE SAME,  
PRODUCTION PROCESS THEREFOR, AND USE THEREOF

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the  
accompanying pages.

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